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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF CHOCOLATE

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| a) | is attached hereto. | | |
| b) | [X] was filed on 1/22/02 as Application Serial No. 10/048,139 and was amended on | | |
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| patent | Acknowledgment of Review of Papers and Duty of Candor I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above fied specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the ability of the subject matter claimed in this application in accordance with Title 37, Code level Regulations § 1.56. | | |
| 37 CF | [] In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. R 1.98. | | |
| | Priority Claim | | |
| Appli below | I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) y foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT International cation(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's cate or any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the | | |

United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that

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(d) [] no such applications have been filed.

(e) [X] such applications have been filed as follows:

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Claim for Benefit of Prior U.S. Provisional Application(s)

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Claim for Benefit of Earlier U.S./PCT Application(s) under 35 U.S.C. 120 (complete this part only if this is a divisional, continuation or C-I-P application)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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